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H. R. 6086

To make emergency supplemental appropriations for Katrina recovery for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 20, 2008

Mr. ALEXANDER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Appropriations, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

To make emergency supplemental appropriations for Katrina recovery for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That the following sums are appropriated, out of any
4 money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the
5 fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, and for other pur-
6 poses, namely:

1 DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE—CIVIL

2 DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

3 CORPS OF ENGINEERS—CIVIL

4 CONSTRUCTION

5 For an additional amount for “Construction”, for
6 necessary expenses related to the consequences of Hurri-
7 cane Katrina and other hurricanes of the 2005 season,
8 \$2,835,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Pro-*
9 *vided*, That such sums shall not be available until October
10 1, 2008: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of the Army
11 is directed to use \$1,997,000,000 of the funds provided
12 herein to modify authorized projects in southeast Lou-
13 isiana to provide hurricane, storm and flood damage re-
14 duction in the greater New Orleans and surrounding areas
15 to the levels of protection necessary to achieve the certifi-
16 cation required for participation in the National Flood In-
17 surance Program under the base flood elevations current
18 at the time of enactment of this Act, and shall use
19 \$1,077,000,000 of those funds for the Lake Pontchartrain
20 and Vicinity project and \$920,000,000 of those funds for
21 the West Bank and Vicinity project: *Provided further*,
22 That, in addition, \$838,000,000 of the funds provided
23 herein shall be for elements of Southeast Louisiana Urban
24 Drainage project within the geographic perimeter of the
25 West Bank and Vicinity and Lake Pontchartrain and Vi-

1 cinity projects, to provide for interior drainage of runoff
2 from rainfall with a 10 percent annual exceedance prob-
3 ability: *Provided further*, That the amounts provided here
4 in shall be subject to a 65 percent Federal / 35 percent
5 non-Federal cost share for the specified purposes: *Pro-*
6 *vided further*, That beginning not later than 60 days after
7 the date of enactment of this Act, the Chief of Engineers,
8 acting through the Assistant Secretary of the Army for
9 Civil Works, shall provide monthly reports to the Commit-
10 tees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives
11 and the Senate detailing the allocation and obligation of
12 these fund: *Provided further*, That the amount under this
13 heading is designated as an emergency requirement and
14 necessary to meet emergency needs pursuant to subsection
15 (a) and (b) of section 204 of S. Con. Res. 21 (110th Con-
16 gress), the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal
17 year 2008.

18 FLOOD CONTROL AND COASTAL EMERGENCIES

19 For an additional amount for “Flood Control and
20 Coastal Emergencies”, as authorized by section 5 of the
21 Act of August 18, 1941 (33 U.S.C. 701n), for necessary
22 expenses relating to the consequences of Hurricane
23 Katrina and other hurricanes of the 2005 season,
24 \$2,926,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Pro-*
25 *vided*, That such sums shall not be available until October

1 1, 2008: *Provided further*, That funds provided herein
2 shall be used to reduce the risk of hurricane and storm
3 damages to the greater New Orleans metropolitan area,
4 at full Federal expense, for the following: \$704,000,000
5 shall be used to modify the 17th Street, Orleans Avenue
6 and London Avenue drainage canals and install pumps
7 and closure structures at or near the lakefront;
8 \$90,000,000 shall be used for storm-proofing interior
9 pump stations to ensure the operability of the stations
10 during hurricanes, storms, and high water events;
11 \$459,000,000 shall be used for armoring critical elements
12 of the New Orleans hurricane and storm damage reduction
13 system; \$53,000,000 shall be used to improve protection
14 at the Inner Harbor Navigation Canal; \$456,000,000 shall
15 be used to replace or modify certain non-Federal levees
16 in Plaquemines Parish to incorporate the levees into the
17 existing New Orleans to Venice hurricane protection
18 project; \$412,000,000 shall be used for reinforcing or re-
19 placing flood walls, as necessary, in the existing Lake
20 Pontchartrain and Vicinity project and the existing West
21 Bank and Vicinity project to improve the performance of
22 the systems; \$393,000,000 shall be used for repair and
23 restoration of authorized protections and floodwalls; and
24 \$359,000,000 shall be used to complete the authorized
25 protection for the Lake Pontchartrain and Vicinity Project

1 and for the West Bank and Vicinity Project: *Provided fur-*
2 *ther*, That beginning not later than 60 days after the date
3 of enactment of this Act, the Chief of Engineers, acting
4 through the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil
5 Works, shall provide monthly reports to the Committees
6 on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the
7 Senate detailing the allocation and obligation of these
8 funds: *Provided further*, That any project using funds ap-
9 propriated under this heading shall be initiated only after
10 non-Federal interests have entered into binding agree-
11 ments with the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil
12 Works requiring the non-Federal interests to pay 100 per-
13 cent of the operation, maintenance, repair, replacement,
14 and rehabilitation costs of completed elements and to hold
15 and save the United States free from damages due to the
16 construction, operation, and maintenance of the project,
17 except for damages due to the fault or negligence of the
18 United States or its contractors: *Provided further*, That
19 the expenditure of funds as provided above may be made
20 without regard to individual amounts or purposes except
21 that any reallocation of funds that is necessary to accom-
22 plish the established goals is authorized, subject to the ap-
23 proval of the House and Senate Committees on Appropria-
24 tions: *Provided further*, That the amount under this head-
25 ing is designated as an emergency requirement and nec-

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2 (a) and (b) of section 204 of S. Con. Res. 21 (110th Con-
3 gress), the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal
4 year 2008.

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